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PEDIATRIC RESPIRATORY EMERGENCIES (Birth to 14 Years of Age)

FIELD ASSESSMENT/TREATMENT INDICATORS

Asthma
Toxic Inhalation
Difficult Breathing

BLS INTERVENTIONS

- 1. Assess environment and determine possible causes
- 2. Remove patient from suspected source and decontaminate as indicated
- 3. Recognize s/s of respiratory distress for age
- 4. Reduce anxiety, assist patient to assume POC
- 5. Oxygen administration as clinically indicated, (humidified oxygen preferred)

ALS INTERVENTIONS

- 1. Maintain airway with appropriate adjuncts, obtain oxygen saturation on room air if possible
- 2. Nebulized Albuterol 2.5 mg with Atrovent may repeat times two (2)
 - a. 1 Day to 12 months Atrovent 0.25mg
 - b. 1 year to 14 years Atrovent 0.5mg
- 3. If no response to Albuterol and Atrovent, consider Epinephrine (1:1000) 0.01mg/kg SC not to exceed adult dosage of 0.3mg
- 4. Obtain vascular access at a TKO rate
- 5. Consider Protocol Reference #7011 Pediatric Allergic Reaction if allergic reaction suspected
- 6. Base hospital physician may order additional medications or interventions as indicated by patient condition.

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